

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A[[n]] remote control entertainment device for scheduling television recordings without interfering with a television program being currently watched on a television, comprising:
 - a remote control for an interactive television system;
 - a wireless receiver integrated with the remote control for receiving television program schedule information from an [[the]] interactive television system; [[and]]
 - a display device integrated with the remote control for displaying the television program schedule information;
 - an input device for receiving a user selection of a television program from the displayed television program schedule information; and
 - a wireless transmitter for transmitting an indication of the selected television program to the interactive television system to schedule recording of the selected television program by a recording device.
2. (original) The device of claim 1, wherein the wireless receiver comprises a radio-frequency receiver.
3. (original) The device of claim 1, wherein the wireless receiver comprises an infrared receiver.
4. (original) The device of claim 1, further comprising:

a processor integrated with the remote control for generating an electronic programming guide from the television program schedule information, the electronic programming guide for display on the display device.

5. (original) The device of claim 4, wherein the electronic programming guide comprises a plurality of rows corresponding to channels and a plurality of columns corresponding to time slots.

6. (currently amended) The device of claim 4, wherein the indication of the television program comprises an indication of at least a channel and a start time electronic programming guide comprises at least one indication of a television program, the device further comprising:

~~a wireless transmitter integrated with the remote for transmitting a control signal to the interactive television system in response to a user selection of a television program from the electronic programming guide.~~

7. (currently amended) The device of claim 6, wherein the indication of the television program comprises a VCR Plus code control signal is configured to cause a television to display the selected television program.

8. (currently amended) The device of claim 6, wherein the wireless receiver is to receive a secondary television signal from the interactive television system for display

~~on the display device wherein the control signal is configured to cause a video recording device to record the selected television program.~~

9. (original) The device of claim 6, wherein the display device is touch sensitive, such that the television program is selected in response to a user touching an indication of the television program on the display device.

10. (currently amended) An entertainment system comprising:
a set top box configured to provide ~~a television signal[[s]]~~ to a first display device, the set top box further configured to store television program schedule information; and
a remote control for the set top box configured to receive the television program schedule information from the set top box using a wireless method, the remote control comprising a second display device configured to display the television program schedule information, wherein the remote control is further configured to receive a secondary television signal for display on the second display device.

11. (currently amended) The system of claim 10, wherein the set top box comprises a wireless transmitter configured to transmit the television program schedule information and secondary television signal to the remote control.

12. (currently amended) The system of claim 11, wherein the wireless transmitter comprises at least one of a radio-frequency transmitter and an infrared transmitter.

13. (currently amended) The system of claim 11, wherein the remote control comprises a wireless receiver configured to receive the television program schedule information and the secondary television signal from the wireless transmitter in the set top box.

14. (currently amended) The system of claim 13, wherein the wireless receiver comprises at least one of a radio-frequency receiver and an infrared receiver.

15. (original) The system of claim 10, wherein a network stores a database comprising television program schedule information, and wherein the set top box comprises a network interface configured to access the database and receive the television program schedule information from the network.

16. (original) The system of claim 15, wherein the network comprises a cable network.

17. (currently amended) The system method of claim 15, wherein set top box is configured to receive automatic updates of the television program schedule information from the network.

18. (currently amended) The system method of claim 17, wherein the automatic updates of the television program schedule information are received using a carousel technique.
19. (currently amended) The system method of claim 15, wherein the set top box is configured to receive the television program schedule information in response to a request from the set top box.
20. (original) The system of claim 10, wherein the remote control comprises a processor configured to generate an electronic programming guide from the television program schedule information, the electronic programming guide for display on the second display device.
21. (original) The system of claim 20, wherein the electronic programming guide comprises a plurality of rows corresponding to channels and a plurality of columns corresponding to time slots.
22. (original) The system of claim 20, wherein the electronic programming guide comprises at least one indication of a television program, and wherein the remote control comprises a wireless transmitter configured to transmit a control signal in response to a user selection of a television program from the electronic programming guide.

23. (original) The system of claim 22, wherein the control signal is configured to cause the first display device to display the selected television program.

24. (original) The system of claim 22, wherein the control signal is configured to cause a video recording device to record the selected television program.

25. (original) The system of claim 22, wherein the second display device is touch sensitive, such that the television program is selected in response to a user touching an indication of the television program on the second display device.

26. (currently amended) A method for providing an electronic programming guide for scheduling television recordings without interfering with a television program being currently watched on a television, comprising:

receiving television program schedule information at a set top box;
transmitting the television program schedule information to a remote control for the set top box; and

displaying the television program schedule information on a display device integrated with the remote control.

receiving a user selection of a television program from the displayed television program schedule information; and

transmitting an indication of the selected television program to the interactive television system to schedule recording of the selected television program by a recording device.

27. (currently amended) The method of claim 26 [[10]], wherein a network stores a database comprising the television program schedule information, and wherein receiving comprises:

receiving the television program schedule information from the network.

28. (original) The method of claim 27, wherein the network comprises a cable network.

29. (original) The method of claim 26, wherein transmitting comprises:
transmitting the television program schedule information from a wireless transmitter in the set top box to a wireless receiver in the remote control.

30. (original) The method of claim 26, wherein displaying comprises:
generating an electronic programming guide from the television program schedule information for display on the display device.

31. (original) The method of claim 30, wherein the electronic programming guide comprises a plurality of rows corresponding to channels and a plurality of columns corresponding to time slots.

32. (currently amended) The method of claim 30, wherein the indication of the television program comprises an indication of at least a channel and a start time ~~electronic programming guide comprises at least one indication of a television program, the method further comprising:~~

~~transmitting a control signal in response to a user selection of a television program from the electronic programming guide.~~

33. (currently amended) The method of claim 32, wherein the indication of the television program comprises a VCR Plus code further comprising:

~~displaying the selected television program on a television in response to the control signal.~~

34. (currently amended) The method of claim 32, wherein the wireless receiver is to receive a secondary television signal from the interactive television system for display on the display device integrated with the remote control further comprising:

~~recording the selected television program in a video recording device in response to the control signal.~~

35. (original) The method of claim 32, wherein the display device is touch sensitive, such that the television program is selected in response to a user touching an indication of the television program on the display device.